

## **COSTILLA COUNTY ARRA FUNDING AND PROJECTS**

- ❖ **Based on the latest information available to the Governor's Office.** This report is not comprehensive because new Recovery Act awards are announced frequently. This does not include funds - including income tax cuts, increased COBRA benefits, increased funds to cover Medicaid services and others - that cannot be broken down by county. The numbers below represent funds that have been awarded and are expected to be received over the life of the Recovery Act. The funds are distributed to a wide range of groups in the county and do not necessarily touch county government.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES / SAFETY NET:**

<b>\$200,428</b>	Community Services Block grant to the San Luis Valley Community Action Agency, serving Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache counties. The funds will be used to work with local employment agencies, public school districts, and local higher education facilities to provide education or continuing education to local residents to prepare for employment opportunities in the area.
<b>\$91,302</b>	An extra 13 percent in benefits through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (food stamps) to about 800 people in Costilla County between April 1-Oct. 31, 2009.
<b>\$72,910</b>	USDA grant to the Costilla County Senior Citizens Club to purchase equipment and furniture for a senior citizens facility.

### **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS / WORKFORCE TRAINING:**

<b>\$573,152</b>	Workforce Investment Act funds for the South Central County Region, which includes Alamosa, Saguache, Mineral, Rio Grande, Conejos, Costilla, Huerfano, and Las Animas counties.
<b>\$244,678</b>	Wagner Peyser (WP) & Reemployment Services (RES) for the South Central County Region
<b>\$314,966</b>	An extra 20 weeks of benefits, through the Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, given to 64 people in Costilla County as of June 30, 2010.
<b>\$87,475</b>	An extra \$25 a week in benefits, through the Federal Additional Compensation program, to 147 people in Costilla County as of June 30, 2010.
<b>\$30,264</b>	An additional 13 weeks of benefits through a new state law given to 10 people in Costilla County as of June 30, 2010.

### **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT:**

<b>\$326,532</b>	The estimated amount of funds expected to be used to provide free energy efficiency improvements in low income homes in Costilla County.
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<b>\$50,000</b>	Zero percent loan and loan forgiveness to the Town of Blanca to install water meters
<b>\$150,000</b>	Energy Efficiency Conservation Block grant to the Colorado State University Extension Service for energy efficiency improvements in buildings in Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache counties.
<b>\$100</b>	Rebate to 1 person in Costilla County for the purchase of energy-efficient appliances including dishwashers, refrigerators, furnaces, and boilers.

#### **EDUCATION:**

<b>\$114,873</b>	Title I, Part A funds to the Sierra Grande School District R-30 for schools with high percentages of low-income students
<b>\$83,965</b>	Title I, Part A funds to the Centennial School District for schools with high percentages of low-income students

#### **HOUSING:**

<b>\$123,562</b>	US Department of Housing and Urban Development Public Housing Capital Fund grant to the Costilla County Housing Authority
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#### **HEALTHCARE:**

<b>\$18,946</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture grant to the Costilla County Nursing Service to distribute food commodities to needy individuals and families.
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